

CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. (currently amended) An airflow shroud for a moving-slider-type microactuator coupled with a flexure and a suspension load beam, comprising:
a frame portion having opening suitable for exposing ~~an air-bearing surface of a protruding portion of~~ a slider for a disk drive, the frame portion surrounding ~~the slider and~~ a moving-slider-type microactuator coupled to the slider; and
an attachment portion adapted for attachment with said suspension load beam of a disk drive wherein said frame portion is configured to not surround said suspension load beam.
2. (Original) The airflow shroud according to claim 1, wherein the frame portion has side portions forming the opening and a tapered shape between each side portion and the opening.
3. (Currently amended) The airflow shroud according to claim 1, wherein between about 50 to 100 micrometers of the slider ~~are exposed~~ protrude through the opening of the frame portion
4. (currently amended) An airflow shroud for a moving-head-type microactuator, comprising:
~~A~~ a plate portion attachable to a slider having a movable-head-type microactuator, said microactuator coupable with a flexure and a load beam; ~~and~~
a recessed portion corresponding to the moving-head-type microactuator of the slider wherein said load beam is not surrounded by said airflow shroud; and

an opening suitable for exposing a protruding portion of said slider.

5. (currently amended) A disk drive comprising an airflow shroud for a moving-slider-type microactuator coupled with a flexure and a suspension load beam, the airflow shroud including a frame portion having an opening suitable for exposing ~~an air bearing surface~~ a portion of a slider for the disk drive, the frame portion surrounding ~~the slider and~~ a moving-slider-type microactuator coupled to the slider and an attachment portion adapted for attachment to said suspension load beam of the disk drive wherein said airflow shroud does not surround said suspension load beam and does not surround said portion of said slider.

6. (Original) The disk drive according to claim 5 wherein the frame portion has side portions forming the opening and a tapered shape between each side portion and the opening.

7. (currently amended) The disk drive according to claim 5, wherein between about 50 to 100 micrometers of the slider ~~are exposed~~ protrude through the opening of the frame portion.

8. (currently amended) A disk drive comprising an airflow shroud for a moving-head-type microactuator coupled with a flexure and a suspension load beam, the airflow shroud including a plate portion attachable to a slider having a moving-head-type microactuator, ~~and~~ a recessed portion corresponding to the moving-head-type microactuator of the slider wherein said airflow shroud does not surround said suspension load beam and wherein a portion of said slider protrudes from said shroud such that said portion of said slider is not surrounded by said shroud.